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**REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION  
UNDER  
35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(ii)**

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Title

**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
DISTRIBUTING A LOGICAL VOLUME OF  
STORAGE FOR SHARED ACCESS BY  
MULTIPLE HOST COMPUTERS**

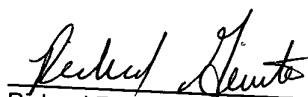
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